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The funding will be administered by the Department of Education, through the Carol M. White Physical Education Program.

**"Today, more children than ever are struggling with health consequences resulting from a lack of physical activity in their lives,"** Rep. Slaughter said. **"We need our schools to get kids outside and active again, so that good health will**

**go hand in hand with a good education."**

- § The Rochester City School District will receive \$318,873 to be used between June 1, 2007 and May 31, 2008.

- § The Kenmore Town of Tonawanda UFSD will receive \$101,037 to be used between June 1, 2007 and May 31, 2008.

- § The Lyndonville Central School District will receive \$416,457 to be used between June 1, 2007 and May 31, 2008.

- § The Lockport City School District will receive \$260,371 to be used between June 1, 2007 and May 31, 2008.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Carol M. White Physical Education Program provides funds to local educational institutions and community-based organizations to initiate expand and improve physical education programs for students in one or more grades K through 12.

Physical education is an important safeguard against childhood obesity, and has been shown to have a positive effect on children's self-esteem.

To learn more about the Carol M. White program, [click here](#) .

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